

NIECE OF PRESIDENT ANNOUNCED BY "MASHER"

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HE IS TRIED IN NIGHT COURT

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[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] NEW YORK, October 19.—Mrs. George Howe, niece of President William Howard Taft, who is a complainant in the Night Court to-night against Dr. Ernest C. White, late of the faculty of the American School of Osteopathy, whom she accused of having followed her for twenty blocks along Broadway, and attempting to elude with her, Dr. White was sentenced to ten days in the workhouse, despite the fact that Mrs. Howe pleaded for leniency toward him.

Mrs. Howe, whose husband, Dr. Howe, is head of the department of Latin at the University of North Carolina, said that Dr. White began following her as she left the Hotel Astor about 7 o'clock to-night. She continued down Broadway, stopping at several stores to make purchases and reached Broadway and Forty-fourth Street at 7:30. There some one grasped her arm. She turned and faced Dr. White.

"Take your hand away," said Mrs. Howe indignantly, as the physician gripped her with "claws." Mrs. Howe screamed, and attracted Policeman Kaplan, of the West Seventeenth Street Station, who arrested Dr. White.

In the Night Court, Mrs. Howe was a vision of loveliness. She wore a white silk dress, white satin slippers, and a white picture hat, trimmed with a long white veil. She was still indignant, but pleaded with Magistrate John W. White, merciful, as she believed, Dr. White was sorry for the annoyance he had caused her.

"Why did you follow and speak to Mrs. Howe?" asked the magistrate.

Dr. White, who is a big, handsome fellow, said:

"I thought it was perhaps the custom here to do so. For the last seven years I have been in the city, and I thought for men to speak to a coquette, and I thought perhaps this lady was a coquette. I did not hesitate to speak to her because it is not considered an offense to speak to a woman in the streets of Paris without an introduction."

"Besides," continued the physician, "I was attracted to this lady. I first saw her white veil flitting in and out among the crowd, then I caught a glimpse of her face—a pretty face. So I thought I would speak to her."

"Don't you really know that here in America it is not customary for a man to speak to a woman he does not know?" asked the magistrate.

White inflated his chest, and replied:

"Do I look like a man a woman would be annoyed at because I spoke to her?"

White, angered by the magistrate, and he immediately pleaded to be released. The physician seemed to be released, but the magistrate was inexorable.

MANAGER OF BIJOU IS
PLACED UNDER ARREST

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waited for something commendable the worse the performance became.

"Just what was there objectionable to it? Why it was anything to do with the performance, which could commend it to a Richmond audience I was unable to find it. The costume could be described as less than scanty, the music produced here, and at frequent intervals there was the broadest suggestiveness. The two feature acts were the most objectionable portions of the performance."

Captain Sewell was equally emphatic in declaring the show to be vulgar and obscene.

"Had Major Werner been absent I should have considered it my duty to take the steps which he has taken," the captain said. "There has never, to my knowledge, been produced in this city a show which was quite so objectionable in every way. We will not make any further steps against the manager if the performance is pronounced of its objectionable features, as it undoubtedly will be to-day."

WAS NOT CENSORED
BEFORE REACHING RICHMOND

Manager Briggs, who, with Charles Rex, historic manager of Jake Wells in Richmond, was interviewed with regard to the steps taken last night by the police, said that the show had not been censored before it reached Richmond, and played in out-of-town theaters before the performance began how objectionable it was, the manager said, "and throughout the performance I was making notes as to certain features which I intended of having eliminated before another performance was given. I am extremely sorry that we had no intimation as to the character of the piece before it was produced here, and that it was necessary to have a representative go to Baltimore each week and see the plays there before they are brought to Richmond."

The Bijou Theatre, which has been extensively advertised as a "family" theatre, was this season made a spoke in the Progressive Burlesque Circuit, which was combined with the Columbia Circuit, the larger Eastern burlesque wheel, and of recent weeks only shows playing this wheel have been produced in the Bijou. However, this circuit was not intended for opening their engagements in Richmond and have been advertised as "musical comedies."

HAVE GRADUALLY
BECOME MORE DARING

The police say that they have realized that the gradually the performances have been becoming more daring in their appeal.

The Times-Dispatch has also noticed this inclination, and was the only paper in town to comment on it. In the review of the opening performance of last week's show at the Bijou the reviewer for this paper said: "Maybe it will be trimmed a trifle for the rest of the week's performance, but without a severe coat of censorship it is not the show one would have one's woman-folk see."

Local theatrical circles were stirred last night by the arrest of the manager Briggs as they have not been stirred since Mrs. Evelyn Thaw was arrested for giving her performance at the Academy of Music against the order issued by Chief of Police Werner. The news of the arrest spread rapidly to the other theatres, and most of the managers and a number of theatrical people of the city either visited Police headquarters or called over the telephone with regard to the matter. There were also a number of calls made to the headquarters by citizens who had heard of the performance, and who acted on their own initiative in informing the police with regard to it. The arrest had already been made, though, when most of these informants appeared.

Attempted to Use Knife. Marshall Martin, colored, was yesterday fined \$5, and costs by Justice Crutcher on a charge of being disorderly and attempting to cut G. P. Gison with a knife.

ON TRIAL FOR HER LIFE



Two Views of Mrs. Florence C. Carman.

MRS. CARMAN COOL AS TRIAL BEGINS

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tion between District Attorney Smith and the jurors. The district attorney she watched with a cold, calculating gaze. It was distinctly unfriendly, that gaze. But upon each juror she bestowed either a smile of approval or glance of contempt.

Throughout the entire proceedings she was absolutely dignified, confident, composed. Often she nodded approval or shook her head in disapproval as Mr. Smith was questioning prospective jurors. Several times she plucked at Graham's sleeve, whispered to him and smiled as he pronounced the applicant unsatisfactory.

As was expected, a great crowd sought admission. Hardly any were allowed in. There was no room. But there was great dissatisfaction. From Oyster Bay, Piping Rock, Roslyn, Garden City, and beyond, folks came in motor cars and smart-looking rigs, only to be told there was no room.

"Courtroom cost enough," grumbled one disappointed taxpayer. "It ought to be big enough."

Justice Kelly entered the courtroom at 10:15. Sheriff "Steve" Pettit, quite outdoing all his former sartorial efforts with a new cutaway coat with black braided edges, bustled about clearing the jammed corridors, and "Sam" Ransom, the chief clerk of the court, pounded on the desk with such ferocity that his books fell to the floor.

FIRST MAN EXAMINED IS NOT ACCEPTED

The first to be examined was William Quinn, a saturnine farmer from out Great Neck way. Quinn was very ill at ease, but Mrs. Carman tried to make him more comfortable by smiling mildly up at him, and nodding comprehendingly when he could not raise his graft voice above an indistinguishable rumble. He told the district attorney that he had no scruples against capital punishment, but that there would have to be more than circumstantial evidence before he would send a woman or a man to the electric chair.

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RAILROADS APPEAL FOR INCREASE IN FREIGHT RATES

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decision of the commission in the former case, which stated that "the net operating income of the railroads in official classification territory is smaller than is demanded in the interest of both the general public and the railroads," and to the fact that the railroads had already taken action to secure additional revenues through various advances and changes of practice.

The measures of relief proposed by the commission will not in our opinion adequately meet the existing situation," he added.

"The annual statements of all the railroads involved in this proceeding combined, for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1914, show a net operating revenue of approximately \$53,000,000 less than during the previous year, while the operating expenses during the same period were approximately \$18,000,000 greater.

"The net operating income of these companies for the same period amounted to \$258,900,000, or approximately \$77,000,000 less than was earned during the previous year, and equal to but 3.38 per cent upon the property investment, a lower return than was shown at any time in fifteen years.

"The income, applicable to interest, dividends and surplus, during the fiscal year just closed was \$264,900,000, or 4.02 per cent, upon the total capital obligations, this return also being lower than any in fifteen years.

"As such, as that now facing causes great and immediate disturbance to industry, commerce and finance.

"It is known that the railroads of the United States have over \$520,000,000 of outstanding obligations which will mature and must be met within the next twelve months alone. It was shown in the original record in this case that the railroads in official classification territory only had spent approximately \$200,000,000 for improvements and extensions during the last ten-year period, and it will be necessary to continue such expenditures of the roads to maintain their standard of service and provide for the growing needs of the future.

"Further, as nearly as can be ascertained, there are more than \$3,000,000,000 par value of American railroad securities held abroad as investments. The demand for cash in Europe, growing out of the present situation, will doubtless result in large selling of such securities when the markets are again opened.

"With all this in mind it will readily be seen that the available supply of and probable demand for new capital, as well as the interest rate thereon, are matters of great importance, not only to the railroads, but also to transportation.

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Chief of Staff of German Army Said to Have Expired in Hospital at Pömp.

[Special Cable to The Times-Dispatch.] PARIS, October 19.—The Matin publishes to-day a report that General Helmuth von Moltke, chief of the general staff of the German army, commander-in-chief under the Kaiser, has died in the hospital at Pömp, a French town on the English channel twenty-seven miles northeast of Havre.

It was reported a fortnight ago that General von Moltke, differing on the conduct of the war with his imperial master, had been superseded as chief of staff by the comparatively unknown General von Voss.

Von Moltke, who is sixty-six years old, is the nephew of the great Field Marshal von Moltke, who led the Prussians to victory against France forty-four years ago. He has been chief of the general staff for eight years.

Mrs. Ropp in Ohio. Mrs. S. Hortense Ropp, an active W. C. T. U. worker in the state-wide campaign, has been called to Ohio to assist in a prohibition fight in that State. Mrs. Ropp was unanimously elected at the last State convention to be delegate-at-large to the national W. C. T. U. convention to be held next month in Atlanta. She will be accompanied by Mrs. Mary S. Danner, of Chesterfield, and Mrs. W. M. H. Ropp, president of the Richmond chapter.

Building Permits. Permits were issued yesterday by the Building Inspector as follows: One-story brick tenement, three stories, on the east side of Hancock Street, between Broad and Marshall Streets, 110 ft. by 10 ft. Mrs. Louise Jurgens, to repair frame dwelling at 717 North Third Street, \$175.

Mrs. K. V. Walton, to repair frame dwelling at 819 China Street, \$350.

Six Killed by Cave-In. BLUEFIELD, W. Va., October 19.—Six men, two white and four negroes, were instantly killed this afternoon at 5 o'clock when a rock caved in on them. The men had been blasting. Two of the bodies have been recovered.

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